

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of the residents of the independent living units of Darlington Retirement Community 126 Leisure Drive Banora Point NSW 2486

draws to the attention of the House the inadequate number of Community Aged Care Packages, including Extended Aged Care at Home Packages, available in the area of Tweed Heads/Banora Point to allow individuals to remain in their own homes. We also highlight to the House the significant discrepancy between the considerable number of packages available on the Gold Coast (just across the border from this area) and the lesser number available in this area.

We therefore ask the House to either have the Department of Health and Aging grant more Aged Care Packages to the Tweed Heads/Banora Point area and/or correct the imbalance in package availability between this area and the Gold Coast.